

कृषि मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री आर. बी. स्वामीनाथन): (क) गुजरात को जनवरी, 1980 से 14031 मीटर टन लेवी चीनी का मासिक कोटा आवंटित किया

जा रहा है। राज्य सरकार फीक्ट्रियों से चीनी उठाने की स्वयं व्यवस्था कर रही है।

(ख) :--आंकड़े इस प्रकार हैं :--

(हजार मीटरी टन में)

वर्ष/मास	चावल सा० वि०	गेहूं		मोटे अनाज	
		सा० वि०	मिल्ल जोड़		
1980					
जनवरी	8.0	18.1	7.6	25.7	0.1
फरवरी	4.5	18.8	13.5	32.3	0.3
मार्च	10.1	17.8	14.0	31.8	0.7
अप्रैल	7.6	18.9	18.5	37.4	0.5
मई	5.0	5.0	15.6	20.6	0.3

नोट: सा० वि०--सार्वजनिक वितरण

(ग) :-- आंकड़े इस प्रकार हैं :-

(हजार मीटरी टन में)

मास	चावल	गेहूं	मोटे अनाज
1980			
जनवरी	8.0	41.5	15.0
फरवरी	8.0	46.5	15.0
मार्च	8.0	36.5	15.0
अप्रैल	5.0	26.5	50.0
मई	5.0	26.5	20.0

जहां तक चीनी का सम्बन्ध है, गुजरात सरकार ने अपने लेवी चीनी के मासिक कोटे को 14,031 मीटरी टन से बढ़ाकर 17,000 मीटरी टन करने के लिए अनुरोध किया था लेकिन 1979-80 मौसम में चीनी के उत्पादन में भारी गिरावट और इसके फलस्वरूप लेवी चीनी की कम उपलब्धता को देखते हुए किसी भी राज्य के कोटे में वृद्धि करना सम्भव नहीं हुआ है।

News Item 'Threat to Telephone Girls'

1617. SHRI SUBHASH CHANDRA BOSE ALLURI: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the attention of the Government has been drawn to a letter to Editor in *Hindustan Times*

dated 26th May, 1980 regarding Theat to Telephone girls;

(b) if so, the Government have examined the facts; and

(c) if so, the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI C. M. STEPHEN):

(a) Yes, Sir. The contents of the letter addressed to the Editor of Hindustan Times appearing on 26-5-80 are in the knowledge of the Government.

(b) A preliminary departmental enquiry was conducted in the case.

(c) No prima-facie case has been established.

Request from U.P. and Orissa Government for Plan Assistance to Combat Wide Spread Drought

1618. SHRI K. P. SINGH DEO: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the U.P. Government have asked Central Government to release Rs. 125 crore by way of plan assistance to combat wide spread drought in the State;

(b) whether a similar request has been received from State of Orissa;

(c) if so, the assistance given to each State;

(d) whether Government propose to undertake a crash programme for digging wells in the drought affected States; and

(e) if so, the details of the programme drawn if any?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN): (a)

The Government of Uttar Pradesh sought Central assistance of Rs. 122.25 crores during 1980-81.

(b) The Government of Orissa sought Rs. 56.68 crores as advance plan assistance during 1980-81.

(c) (i) The Government of India have approved a ceiling of expenditure of Rs. 47.52 crores for Uttar Pradesh and Rs. 17.39 crores for Orissa during 1980-81 for purposes of Central assistance.

(ii) The Government of India have sanctioned short-term loans of Rs. 8 crores for U.P. and Rs. 5 crores for Orissa during 1980-81.

(iii) The Government of India have allocated 1.95 lakh MT of foodgrains to U.P. and 82,000 MT of foodgrains to Orissa under the food for Work Programme including the Special Food for Work Programme during 1980-81.

(iv) The State Governments have been allowed to continue the Food for Nutrition Programme till the end of September 1980 by utilising the unspent balance of the foodgrains allotted during 1979-80,—3350 MT for U.P. and 6700 MT for Orissa.

Subsidy on agricultural inputs (including nitrogenous fertilisers) to small and marginal farmers in the mono-cropped drought affected areas where no rabi crop could be grown is being given.

(d) and (e) The ceiling of expenditure approved by the Government of India includes the following provisions for drinking water schemes in U.P. and Orissa:—

Rs. in crores

State	1979-80	1980-81	Total
U.P.	3.50	9.46	12.96
Orissa	3.00	2.00	5.00